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## Prevent WNV Around Your Home

Well-maintained swimming pools and whirlpools are not a hazard since the pool chemicals kill any larvae. The main concern is stagnant water, where mosquitoes can lay their eggs undisturbed

**If you find a dead bird, call the California West Nile Virus hotline at 1-877-WNV-BIRD. They will direct you on what to do with dead birds.**

There is no evidence that a person can get West Nile virus from handling live or dead infected birds. However, you should leave the bird alone or put it in a plastic bag using gloves or other protection. Persons should avoid bare-handed contact when handling any dead animal.

If you are asked to dispose of a dead bird, you can safely do so by picking them up with gloved hands or with a shovel, double bagging them in plastic bags, and disposing of them in the trash.

### [Home and Garden Checklist](#)

Mosquitoes lay eggs in still water, which hatch in 7 to 10 days. If standing water is eliminated weekly from places around your house and garden, many mosquitoes will be kept from breeding in the first place. Here are some things you can do:

Remove standing water in ponds, ditches, clogged rain gutters, flower pots, plant saucers, puddles, buckets, garden equipment and cans.

Check for items that might hold water including wheelbarrows, toys, pool covers, tarps, plastic garden sheeting, boats, canoes and trash.

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